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SUBJECT: UK VIEWS ON MBFR AND THE NINE

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 873, (B) BONN 2177

1. IN MEETING WITH ACDA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROBERT MILLER ON FEBRUARY 11, TICKELL OF FCO GAVE SHORT REPORT ON MBFR ASPECTS OF EC NINE POLITICAL DIRECTORS MEETING FEBRUARY 7.
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2. TICKELL SAID THAT ITALIANS HAD PREPARED PAPER ON MBFR FOR DISCUSSION AT POLITICAL DIRECTORS MEETING. ITALIAN PAPER TOUCHED ON ALL ASPECTS OF MBFR INCLUDING SOME OF MOST SENSITIVE AREAS UNDER NEGOTIATION IN VIENNA. UK AND FRG PERSUADED ITALIANS NOT TO SUBMIT PAPER IN VIEW OF FRENCH PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL DIRECTORS MEETING.

3. AS A RESULT ITALIAN PAPER WAS NOT DISCUSSED BUT THERE WAS A RECOGNITION AMONG POLITICAL DIRECTORS THAT THEY SHOULD BE IN A POSITION TO DISCUSS "EUROPEAN POLITICAL ASPECTS" OF MBFR. IN THIS CONTEXT, POLITICAL DIRECTORS SET UP SUB-GROUP REPORTED PARA 2 REF (B). TICKELL SAID THAT NO MEETING OF SUB-GROUP HAS BEEN SCHEDULED. WHEN GROUP DOES MEET HE WILL INSIST THAT ONLY "EUROPEAN POLITICAL ASPECTS" ARE DISCUSSED. HE PROMISED THAT UK WOULD KEEP IN TOUCH WITH U.S. ON ANY DEVELOPMENTS RELATING TO SUB-GROUP.

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